

ALL THE LATEST NEWS OF THE BUSINESS WORLD.

STOCKS GAIN ON
DAY'S TRADING.

Market Held Well from the Opening, and Closed with the Leaders Maintaining Advances in Improved Market.

Stocks after holding well in the market all day closed with the leaders showing gains of almost two points. Trading, which had been nervous in the morning, gradually steadied, and confidence appeared to be measurably restored and there was less pressure of long stock.

A feature of the day from a news point of view was the receipt and publication of interviews with bankers and business men in every important city in the country on the Northern Securities decision. These expressions of opinion were in the main to the effect that there was no occasion for alarm, that property values had not been and would not be injured and that there was no need for investors losing their heads. It was set forth clearly and with a great variety of language that the country is prosperous and that capital is earning fair returns with every prospect of a continuance of favorable conditions. All this had a tonic effect on the market.

Rock Island and Frisco stocks were nervous on a persistent report that the merger deal in which the two railroads figure had fallen through. Fluctuations, however, did not extend over a wide range. Rock Island common, which is regarded as speculative issue, swung between 49-1/2 and 51-3/4, the latter being the final figure. San Francisco dropped to 63-1/4 and afterward sold up to 65, and closed at 65-1/4.

The day passed without any authoritative announcement on the deal, although a statement was issued by a news agency supposedly from Judge W. H. Moore. This was to the effect that the Northern Securities decision had in no way affected the values of the railroads involved. Attached to this was an opinion that the decision in no way affects the Rock Island-Frisco merger. The street has quite come to the conclusion that the deal is off.

The money market did not reflect especial anxiety, either on the part of borrowers or lenders. Call money was obtainable at 4 per cent, and there seemed to be plenty of it. The banks are discriminating against collateral having the stamp of merger on them, and consequently speculators are being assessed heavily for margins.

Northern Securities were actively traded in on the curb, advancing from 10-1/4 to 10-3/4, and then swinging between 10-1/2 and 10-3/4.

The volume of business for the day approximated 1,100,000 shares, or about 75 per cent. that of yesterday.

In the closing Southern Pacific, Missouri Pacific, Norfolk and Western, the Rock Island, Chicago and Great Western, Erie, Kansas City Southern, Union Pacific preferred, Atchafalaya preferred, United States Steel preferred, Biscuit and Lead attained a level a point or more above yesterday. Union Pacific, Missouri Pacific, Erie, Kansas City Southern, General Electric, Smelter, Manhattan and Amalgamated two or more above and Northwestern and Consolidated Gas three and one-quarter.

A rumor that the Northern Securities suit would not be appealed sent prices upward with a rush at the last, making the closing active and strong.

The Closing Quotations.

Stock	High	Low	Net Change
Am. Copper	48	47	+1
Am. Smelt. & Ref.	48	47	+1
Am. Sugar	122 1/2	122 1/4	+1/4
Atchafalaya	90	89	+1
Balt. & O. P.	87 1/2	87 1/4	+1/4
Baltimore & O. P.	87 1/2	87 1/4	+1/4
Can. Pac.	130 1/2	129 3/4	+1/4
Chic. & N. W.	127 1/2	127 1/4	+1/4
Chic. G. W. P.	21 1/2	21 1/4	+1/4
Chic. M. & S. P.	108 1/2	108 1/4	+1/4
Col. Fuel & Iron	57	56 1/2	+1/2
Cons. & S. P.	84 1/2	84 1/4	+1/4
Gen. Elec.	103 1/2	103 1/4	+1/4
Ill. Central	123 1/2	123 1/4	+1/4
Ind. & N. H.	108 1/2	108 1/4	+1/4
Ind. Steel	108 1/2	108 1/4	+1/4
Int. Harb.	134 1/2	134 1/4	+1/4
Mar. S. R.	134 1/2	134 1/4	+1/4
Mo. Kan. & Tex.	24 1/2	24 1/4	+1/4
N. Y. C. & H. R.	103 1/2	103 1/4	+1/4
Norfolk & W.	103 1/2	103 1/4	+1/4
N. W. Central	103 1/2	103 1/4	+1/4
Ontario & W.	20 1/2	20 1/4	+1/4
Penn. Ry.	103 1/2	103 1/4	+1/4
People's Gas	101 1/2	101 1/4	+1/4
Reading	81 1/2	81 1/4	+1/4
Rock Island	51 1/2	51 1/4	+1/4
Southern Pac.	70 1/2	70 1/4	+1/4
Southern Ry.	20 1/2	20 1/4	+1/4
Southern Ry. P.	91 1/2	91 1/4	+1/4
St. L. & S. W.	66 1/2	66 1/4	+1/4
St. L. & S. W. P.	66 1/2	66 1/4	+1/4
Trans. & Pac.	62 1/2	62 1/4	+1/4
Union Pac.	88 1/2	88 1/4	+1/4
Union Pac. P.	134 1/2	134 1/4	+1/4
U. S. Leather	134 1/2	134 1/4	+1/4
U. S. Steel	92 1/2	92 1/4	+1/4
U. S. Steel P.	84 1/2	84 1/4	+1/4
West. Union	20 1/2	20 1/4	+1/4
West. Union P.	84 1/2	84 1/4	+1/4
W. Central	20 1/2	20 1/4	+1/4
W. Central P.	46 1/2	46 1/4	+1/4

AMERICAN STOCKS
IMPROVE IN LONDON.

LONDON, April 14.—Money was in less demand and there was a better supply in the market to-day. Discount rates were steady. The possibility of an early reduction of the Bank of England's rate of discount restrained holders from discounting freely.

Business on the Stock Exchange was quiet, many of the members having extended their Easter holidays. The ten-minute feature was the heavy peak in Americans, which improved after the opening and subsequently weakened. The callings were nominal, the quotations during the afternoon were irregular and Americans closed with a better tone.

Consols were steady owing to a fair investment demand. Home Rails were lower. The market was fairly steady, however. The market was fairly steady, however. The market was fairly steady, however.

ROCK ISLAND
DEAL IS SHAKY.

Wall Street Inclined to Believe the Merger Agreement with Frisco Will Not Be Put Through.

Lively interest attaches to the report that the Rock Island-Frisco deal has fallen through. The belief is general that this much-discussed trade will not eventuate, although neither party thereto will admit as much. Both the Rock Island and the Frisco people refer to the deal as a "business proposition," and neither will admit that it is a "business proposition."

Persons in a position to know the inside from the Rock Island standpoint make the counter-statement that if the deal falls through it will be because the deal falls through. It will be because the deal falls through. It will be because the deal falls through.

There is where the matter stands and there is where it will stand until the deal is broken. It will stand until the deal is broken. It will stand until the deal is broken.

In Wall street the statement is made that while the decision in the Northern Securities case does not apply legally to the Rock Island-San Francisco mer-



Mrs. F. Wright, of Oelwein, Iowa, is another one of the million women who have been restored to health by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Overshadowing indeed is the success of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound—compared with all other medicines for women are experienced.

Why has it the greatest record for absolute cures of any female medicine in the world? Why has it lived and thrived and done its glorious work among women for a century? Simply because of its sterling worth. The reason that no other medicine has ever reached its success is because there is no other medicine so successful in curing woman's ills. Remember these important facts when a druggist tries to sell you something which he says is just as good.

A Young New York Lady Tells of a Wonderful Cure:—
"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM: My trouble was with the ovaries; I am tall, and the doctor said I grew too fast for my strength. I suffered dreadfully from inflammation and doctored continually, but got no help. I suffered from terrible dragging sensations with the most awful pains low down in the side and pains in the back, and the most agonizing headaches. No one knows what I endured. Often I was sick to the stomach, and every little while I would be too sick to go to work for three or four days; I work in a large store and I suppose standing on my feet all day made me worse.

"At the suggestion of a friend of my mother's I began to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and it is simply wonderful. I felt better after the first two or three doses; it seemed as though a weight was taken off my shoulders; I continued its use until now I can truthfully say I am entirely cured. Young girls who are always paying doctor's bills without getting any help as I did, ought to take your medicine. It costs so much less, and it is sure to cure them.—Yours truly, ADELAIDE PRAHL, 174 St. Ann's Ave., New York City."

Women should not fail to profit by Miss Adelaide Prahl's experiences; just as surely as she was cured of the troubles enumerated in her letter, just so certainly will Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound cure others who suffer from womb troubles, inflammation of the ovaries, kidney troubles, nervous excitability and nervous prostration; remember that it is Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound that is curing women, and don't allow any druggist to sell you anything else in its place.

If there is anything in your case about which you would like special advice, write freely to Mrs. Pinkham. She can surely help you, for no person in America has such a wide experience in treating female ills as she has had. Address is Lynn, Mass.; her advice is free and always helpful.

COTTON TAKES
A HEAVY PLUNGE.

Sully and His Clique Send May Down 24 Points in "Shaking Out" Small Traders and Taking Profits.

Realizing that they could manipulate the cotton market as they desired, the bulls created a sensation on the Exchange to-day by taking as much profit in the

May and July options as they deemed expedient and cutting 24 points from May and 17 from July.

Having gathered some rich profits they turned about and sent prices up. Matters ran along quietly for a few hours when Sully and his force, in an effort to shake out the small traders, who are following them, began a selling movement and let prices take a sensational slump.

In the drive options dropped to these figures: May, 10.36; July, 10.01; August, 9.44; September, 8.80; October, 8.32; November, 8.00 and December, 8.43.

The bull clique is buying October heavily and brokers suspect a corner in that option.

While trading was quite active there was not much excitement on the Exchange.

GRAIN FIGURES CUT.
Decrease Shown in Available Supplies of Wheat, Corn and Oats.
Special cable and telegraphic commu-

nications to Bradstreet's show the following changes in available supplies, as compared with last reports:

Available Supplies. Bushels.
Wheat—United States and Canada, Dec. 3,881,000
Wheat—decreased, 200,000
Total supply, decreased, 2,000,000
Corn—United States and Canada, Dec. 2,184,000
Corn—decreased, 1,168,000
Oats—United States and Canada, Dec. 1,168,000
Oats—decreased, 1,168,000

OLD PARK ENGINEER DEAD.
William B. Swan Had Been in City Department Since 1859.

William B. Swan, for many years an assistant engineer in the Park Department, died last night at his home, No. 912 Home street, the Bronx, from heart failure.

Mr. Swan was appointed to the Park Department in 1859, and was one of the oldest employees in that branch of the city government. He laid out the north end of the Boulevard and also a large portion of the Croton Aqueduct.

SHERIFF NOT TO
SELL "MET." ROAD.

The announced sale of the Metropolitan Street Railway by the Sheriff to satisfy a judgment of \$2,300, held by Emanuel S. Cahn, as administrator of the estate of Simpson Cahnmann, will not take place.

The company, which has fought the case for five years on principle, will pay the judgment, which was for damages Cahnmann received when a "Met" car smashed his wagon.

Union Bag and Paper Profits.
At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Union Bag and Paper Company, held in Jersey City to-day, the retiring Board of Directors was re-elected. The annual report was read, showing profits for the year of \$961,067, out of which dividends amounting to \$770,000 were paid, leaving a surplus of \$191,067 on the year's business.

Rid Your House of Every Insect with HARVE'S KILL-BUG

It absolutely exterminates Cockroaches, Bedbugs, Ants, Moths, Fleas and every description of insect life. Non-poisonous—non-explosive—non-staining. Ask your druggist or grocer for Harvie's Kill-Bug, except no other. If he does not have it, make him get it, or you can order direct from us. Pint cans 20c; 1/2 pint 10c. HARVIE DRUG CO., 125 Water St., New York City.

All Cars Transfer to Bloomingdale's
3rd Ave 59th & 60th Sts.

Special Advance Sale of Summer Shirt Waist Suits

To-morrow is opening day for our new Summer Washable Shirt Waist Suits. The styles this year are prettier than ever before, and the popularity the Shirt Waist Suit has enjoyed for the past two seasons is bound to be duplicated if not exceeded this year.

We speak of two special sorts for to-morrow:

At \$2.90—Like cut at left; of fine quality lawns, percales, madras or chevils; plain blue, tan and white or small figures, polka dots, rings and stripes; all colors and black and white. Waist made box plaited front and back; centre trimmed with four large pearl buttons; skirt cut full flaring, seven-gored shape; trimmed on front with three straps, V-shaped. Sizes 32 to 46.

At \$3.75—Like cut at right—of extra fine quality printed lawn, white or blue grounds, with neat black or white figures, polka dots, stars or rings. Waist has hemstitched tucked pointed yoke effect, with neat collar, belt and cuffs, while the skirt is seven-gored flaring shape, trimmed over hips and on bottom with three rows of hemstitched tucks. Sizes 32 to 48.

These neat dresses are smart for street wear as well as for wear at home.

Second Floor, 59th St. Section.

Chic White Waists, \$2.98.

We've chosen these charming waists as our leader for to-morrow, though there are so many beautiful waist creations in our shirt-waist store that it is hard to choose.

These are made like illustration, of fine white lawn, buttoning on the back. The fronts are tucked in clusters with fine lace inserting, forming a round yoke in block designs; collars, sleeves and cuffs tucked and garnished with lace insertings to match front; back laid in cluster tucks—special to-morrow. \$2.98

Second Floor, 59th St. Section.

Annual Wrapper Sale, 88c.

Regular \$1.50 Wrappers.

It is needless to dilate on the splendid quality and perfect workmanship of the wrappers we offer in this Annual Sale. This year's values even seem to outdistance those of previous sales.

The wrappers are made very full, from extra quality percale. They have deep knee flounces and are trimmed with fine lace braid on ruffles and capes. The backs are tight-fitting, gathered at the waist line, with belt straps and full bishop sleeves.

Waists are faced inside and button to the figure, making them fit perfectly. Collars made in the high turn-over style. The best value ever offered for Sizes 34 to 46. 88c

Mail orders filled, but none C. O. D. Sale ends Saturday evening.

Second Floor, 59th St. Section.

A Great Tailoring Event

Began Monday, April 13th, ends Saturday, April 18th.

Monday, April 13th.
Tuesday, April 14th.
Wednesday, April 15th.
Thursday, April 16th.
Friday, April 17th.
Saturday, April 18th.

Spring Suit, Overcoat or Prince Albert Coat and Vest Made to Order, \$11.80

We will make to your measure during this sale a Spring Suit, Spring Overcoat or Prince Albert Coat and Vest of high-grade materials, of which there are forty of this season's newest patterns to select from, guaranteed pure wool and fast colors, for \$11.80.

The Trimmings in Every Instance Will Be the Very Best, Each Garment Cut by Expert Cutters Guaranteeing Perfect Fit, Best Possible Workmanship. None but High-Class Tailors Employed.

The fabrics, remember, are not an accumulation of a season's odds and ends, but the result of months of searching for new, choice patterns of this season's creations of dependable materials of standard make.

After Saturday, April 18th, it will not be possible to accept further orders. If you are not entirely satisfied with the suit, overcoat or Prince Albert, even after the garment is all made up and delivered to you, you may return it, in which case a refund of money will be forthcoming. Price for this week only \$11.80

Second Floor, 59th St. Section.

The Grocery Store's Bulletin.

Our Grocery Store bulletins always contain most interesting reading for housewives. They have learned to lean upon us for the economical setting of their tables. Quality always the best—variety unsurpassed.

Maracabo Coffee, very fine; our regular 22c. kind, bean or ground, per lb., 15c.
Java and Mocha; our famous 20c. kind, bean, ground or pulverized, per lb., 24c.
Macaroni, finest imported from France, sold elsewhere for 15c; 1-lb. pkgs., 10c.
Preserved Strawberries, Wiesbaden style, extra fine; half price, big cans, 12c.
California Lemon Cling Peaches or Bartlett Pears, very good, big cans, 14c.
California White Cherries, big cans, 18c.
Bartlett Pears—Very fine, 2-lb. cans, 9c.
Jersey Tomatoes—Fancy, not more than 6 cans to a customer, big cans, 8c.
Rob Roy Tomatoes—Extra fine, our 14c. kind, can, Asparagus—Large, sold elsewhere for 25c, this sale, per can 21c.

Early June Peas—Very fine, can, 9c.
Fancy Stringless Beans—Per can, 13c, 15c.
Domestic Cervelat Sausage, per lb., 14c, 25c, 30c.
Pork Tapioca or Fine Naps, half price, per lb., 3c.
Prepared Buckwheat—Our 14c, 3-lb. pkgs., 10c.
Bloomington's Best Laundry Soap, big cakes, 8 for White Castle, large cakes, 2c.
Scouring Soap, large cakes, 2c.

Wines and Liquors.

Imported Port, delicious; our 82c. bot., 40c.
Imported Broken Sherry, very nutritious, delicious and full flavor; our \$1.00 bot., 65c.
Guinness Rye Whiskey, rich and full bodied; sold elsewhere at three times this price, big bottles, 38c.
Monogram Rye Whiskey, melon and old, full quarts, 95c.
Holland Gin, best imported, big bottle, 59c.

Ground Floor, 59th St. Section.

Dinner Sets.

We call special attention to our 25 open-stock patterns of dinner and tea sets, of which we carry a complete assortment at all times, from the moderate in price to the finest quality. This enables housewives to replenish their stock at any time without difficulty.

\$5.95—100 pieces, including soup tureen and large meat dishes; neatly decorated in two colors; gold edges.

\$8.95—American porcelain; 100 pieces, with soup tureen and large meat dishes; prettily decorated in floral designs; gold edges.

\$13.95—Thin Carlsbad China, with dainty floral decorations; 100 pieces; handles traced in gold. There are but one or two of a kind of the following dinner sets: Dinner Sets now marked \$33 and \$36 at \$25.

Dinner Sets now marked \$40 at \$29.

Dinner Sets now marked \$55 at \$41.

Dinner Sets now marked \$60 at \$47.

Dinner Sets now marked \$89 at \$59.

Dinner Sets now marked \$134 at \$89.

Dinner Sets now marked \$98 at \$69.

Haviland China Dinner Sets, 100 pieces, \$21.98

Third Floor, 59th St. Section.

Gold and Diamond Jewelry.

Gift-givers will find much to interest them in our jewelry store during these special sales days. We've an unequalled collection of the handsomest and newest conceits in solid gold and diamond jewelry. Purchasers will save a third to a half on every item bought.

Solid Gold Diamond Rings, fine cut stones; exceptional value at \$15.00

Solid Gold Diamond Rings, with two fine cut diamonds and two real rubies; special, \$11.50

Solid Gold Rings, with fine cut white brilliant diamonds, mounted in several of the latest style settings; special, \$10.00

Solid Gold Diamond Rings, fine cut stones, in a variety of the newest mountings; special, at \$5.00

Solid Gold Diamond Rings, fine cut stones, in solid gold mountings; special, \$2.75

Solid Gold Brooches, in a large variety of new styles and smart designs; splendid value, \$1.69

Solid Gold Diamond and Pearl Scarf Pins, in many new designs; special value at \$5.00

Solid Gold Lockets, horse head designs, set with fine cut diamond; special, \$7.50

Solid Gold Lockets, horseshoe of seven fine cut diamonds, only \$21.50

Solid Pearl Heart Lockets, with fine cut diamond in centre, for two pictures; special, \$18.50

Solid Gold Heart Lockets, for two pictures; special, \$9.95

Solid Gold Lockets, set with fine cut diamond and colored stones in several tasteful designs; special value at \$6.95

Fourth Floor.